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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

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Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated September 20, 2007 ("Office Action"), please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.